

Ultimate 20 – Peak Seven Regatta Report

Pagett Cup Series champion to be determined at Chatfield

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‘It ain't over till (or until) the fat lady sings’ is a phrase commonly used in association with organized competitions, particularly sports. It means that one should not presume to know the outcome of an event which is still in progress. More specifically, the phrase is used when a situation is (or appears to be) nearing its conclusion. It cautions against assuming that the current state of an event is irreversible



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and clearly determines how or when the event will end.

(Wikipedia)

Three U20s from Fleet 4 showed up at Dillon Lake this past weekend..... unfortunately the wind did not. RC struggled to get just three races in over the two days. On the line were Cliff Begnaud's **Underdog** with crew Mike Glenn and Peter Muller. **Juiced** skippered by Jimmy Ulatowski and crew Katie Jacquemin and Mark Stieber (It was great to see Mark back on the water!). And Marty May's **Red Line** with Jay Baudo upfront, Marty calling tactics and Brad Lawson driving. Since Red Line was essentially out of the hunt for the

Cup Marty suggested the team practice for the upcoming NAs which will be sailed on **Redbeard**.

Sailing well all season, Underdog chose the middle of the course in the first race and it proved to be fastest on the first windward leg. Juiced went left and Red Line sailed the right side of the course. Results were Underdog with the bullet, Juiced second and Red Line third.

The second race turned into a 'bobfest' after rounding the windward mark. In a dying breeze, it took over 90 minutes to reach the leeward mark. RC ordered the race abandoned for all fleets and racing was over for the day. Results were Juiced first, Underdog second, and Red Line 3rd. Hoping to change their luck in the windless conditions the boys on Red Line broke out the flask and beers on the downwind leg but to no use.

Sunday's only race experienced a steady breeze. With wind coming from the south, the windward leg was sailed down the Snake River. Red Line rounded the windward mark first and was able to build on its lead throughout the remainder of the race. Underdog and Juiced, contenders for the regatta's 'pickle plate' and overall Pagett Cup series, duked it out in an exhausting tacking and gybing duel on the remaining legs. Results had Red Line with the bullet, Juiced second, and Underdog in third.

Peak Seven Regatta results: 1st Place – Juiced; 2nd Place – Underdog and Red Line 3rd Place. The spectator fleet witnessed some tight fleet racing and even match racing of sorts between Juiced and Underdog, all boats had a bullet. Good times were had by all.

Due to low water, DSA has decided to make the 2013 Governor's Cup a dinghy/multihull only event. That means Chatfield's Columbus Day event will be the last race in the Pagett Cup series. Based on results through the Peak Seven regatta only three points separate Underdog and Juiced. While Underdog is leading and looks to be in a favorable position for the title remember..... **'It ain't over till the fat lady sings'**.

Peak Seven Regatta:

U-20 Fleet

Sailed: 3, Discards: 0, To count: 3, Ratings: PHRF TOT, Entries: 3, Scoring system: Appendix A

Rank	Fleet	Boat	SailNo	HelmName	Rating	Race 1	Race 2	Race 4	Total
1st	U-20	Juiced	19	Jim Ulatowski	144	2.0	1.0	2.0	5.0
2nd	U-20	Underdog	126	Clifford Beaurand	144	1.0	2.0	3.0	6.0
3rd	U-20	Redline	78	Marty May	144	3.0	3.0	1.0	7.0

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